

Standard Operating Procedures for Dispatching Contracted Resources

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1. EQUIPMENT AGREEMENTS in the SOUTHWEST AREA

All five federal land management agencies (BIA, BLM, NPS, USFS, and USFWS) are represented in the Southwest Area as well as State and private jurisdictions in both Arizona and New Mexico. Department of Interior (DOI) agencies (BIA, BLM, NPS, and USFWS), Arizona State and New Mexico State agencies maintain separate equipment agreements for incidents managed under their jurisdiction; however, the majority of equipment contracting in the Southwest is managed by the US Forest Service (USFS).

The guidelines in this document will be followed when USFS contracted equipment resources are utilized.

2. DISPATCH PRIORITY LIST: AN INTRODUCTION

2.1 GENERAL INFORMATION and WHERE to FIND MORE INFORMATION

The USFS contracts with vendors for certain types of equipment resources on a competitive basis (SWA Mob Guide 20-26). The USFS Virtual Incident Procurement (VIPR) system uses the Choosing by Advantages (a.k.a. Best Value) to establish Incident Blanket Purchase Agreements (I-BPAs) with contracted equipment resources. I-BPAs are established pre-season and are used to determine Dispatch Priority Lists (DPLs) that are based on price and other factors. Current DPLs are available on the Southwest Coordination Center (SWCC) website on either the Dispatch or Equipment/Supplies link through the Dispatch Priority List / I-BPA link.

The direct link is located at:

http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/dispatch_logistics/equipment/ibpa/ibpa.htm

The National Standard Operating Guide for Dispatching Contracted Resources is located at the link below. Regional equipment dispatch protocols often differ from the National Guidelines in some geographic areas. http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/logistics/references/National SOG Contracted Resources Guide.pdf

The Southwest Area Standard Operating Procedures for Dispatching Contracted Resources is located at:

http://gacc.nifc.gov/swcc/dispatch_logistics/equipment/ibpa/ibpa.htm

2.2 AGENCY PROTOCOLS

USFS jurisdictional incidents are required to follow DPL protocols. For multi-jurisdictional incidents, even when the incident began on USFS jurisdiction, deviation from USFS DPL protocols may be necessary. DOI and State agencies may request equipment resources hired on non-FS agreements, such as DOI/State Emergency Equipment Rental Agreements (EERAs) or Fire Departments. In these cases, documentation on the resource order justifying why the DPL was not followed is required.

3. DISPATCH PRIORITY LIST (DPL)

I-BPA equipment resources located within a dispatch zone are ranked on a DPL. Dispatch centers will follow the DPL when dispatching resources to "**extended attack**" incidents. The DPL is not a rotation, if the number one priority on the list is unavailable for an assignment on Monday, the resource should be checked again on Tuesday for the next assignment as they are higher on the priority list. Dispatchers **must** use the Host Dispatch Center DPL until it is exhausted.

3.1 GENERAL PROCEDURES

Southwest Area resource requests for equipment will be by Type, if applicable, per National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) standards. Dispatchers will follow the "closest forces" concept in accordance with agency policies and incident need. Reference: SWA Mob Guide 20-26.

3.2 ORDERING PROCEDURES FOR RESOURCES

Each Host Dispatch Center will give dispatch priority to resources offering the greatest advantage to the Government for emergency wildland fire suppression, all-hazard, and severity assignments BEFORE all other private resources not under this Agreement with the following exceptions:

- ➤ Initial Attack
- > Tribal preference policy established within reservation jurisdiction
- Sovernment normally will dispatch resources in accordance with this protocol; however, the number of fire orders in process and actual fire conditions at the time of dispatch may require a deviation from normal procedures in order to respond effectively to such conditions. Any such deviation will be within the discretion of Government, and will **not be deemed a violation** of any term or condition of this Agreement.
- ➤ Upon receipt of a resource order by a dispatch center, Government dispatchers will **not** hold DPL resources in reserve as a contingency force in a non pay status when that resource is statused available in the Resource Ordering Status System (ROSS).

Reference: All I-BPAs – D.6.1 Dispatch Priority.

Ordering procedures for Water Handling Equipment I-BPAs for Engines and Water Tenders differ from **all other** I-BPAs. Ordering Procedures for Water Handling Equipment I-BPAs:

- If all resources on the Host Dispatch Center DPL are depleted within the Host Dispatch Zone or Geographic Area, orders will be placed utilizing established dispatch procedures. (Water Handling Equipment I-BPA; D.6.3.2 Ordering Procedures for Resources)
- After exhausting the Host Dispatch Center DPL for engines and water tenders either forward the request(s) to Neighborhood dispatch centers or forward the request to SWCC.
- Prior to considering Incident Only/EERA for engines or water tenders, the Regional I-BPA Contracting Officer (Anne Weiskircher) must be consulted.

Ordering procedures for **all other** I-BPAs:

- Orders will be placed with the first vendor on the DPL until that vendor cannot fill the order or meet the date and time needed. If all contractor resources on the DPL are depleted with the selection made at D.6.2 (Ranking of Awarded Resources for Dispatch Priority), orders will be placed utilizing established dispatch procedures. (D.6.3 Ordering Procedures for Resources)
- After exhausting the **Host Dispatch Center DPL** there are three options: 1. forward the request(s) to Neighborhood dispatch centers; 2. forward the order to SWCC; 3. consider Incident Only/EERA resources. The local Forest Contracting Officer, IMT Procurement Unit Leader, or Buying Team can order Incident Only/EERA resources.

3.3 INCIDENT PRE-USE INSPECTION for CONTRACTED EQUIPMENT RESOURCES

DPL resources **must** pass an Incident Pre-Use Inspection at the incident, or designated inspection station. If an equipment resource does not pass the mandatory Incident Pre-Use Inspection, it is considered noncompliant. The Contractor may be given 24-hours or a time frame designated by Government representatives to bring the resource into compliance. If the resource does not pass inspection, no payment will be made for travel to the Incident or point of inspection or return to the point of hire, or for the time that the resource was not available. Reference: All I-BPAs – D.17 Incident Pre-Use Inspection. Non-compliance **must** be reported in a timely fashion to the USFS R-3 Regional Office and the Contracting Officer. The Equipment Inspector should communicate and coordinate with the IC/IMT about any decision to retain or replace a noncompliant resource. Dispatchers will document the inspection results and noncompliance reports on the Resource order. Incident will need to issue a new order for the replacement resource.

3.4 INITIAL ATTACK RESPONSE

During the Initial Attack phase of an incident on Federal lands, the USFS can use any and all types of equipment resources. During Initial Attack, the use of DPLs is not mandatory (SWA Mob Guide 20-26), and dispatchers may hire the closest and/or fastest response resource. The SWA Mob Guide (10-4) defines Initial Attack as, "The first action taken to suppress a wildland fire. This is normally the first operational period."

- All resources used during Initial Attack must have a valid agreement with a Federal or State agency. Often during Initial Attack, local private equipment resources without a current Federal or State agreement will be on scene protecting private assets. As the urgency of the incident recedes, the IC should replace Incident Only/EERA resources with Federal, State, or DPL resources, preferably within the first 24 48 hours.
- When an incident progresses into the second operational period, DPL procedures for Extended Attack must be followed, unless an Incident Commander (IC) justifies otherwise.

3.5 EXTENDED ATTACK/PROJECT INCIDENTS

In compliance with the USFS Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit of Extended Attack fires on USFS jurisdictional lands, the USFS will use contracted resources under USFS competitive I-BPAs (SWA Mob Guide 20-26). When DPL resources are kept at an incident beyond Initial Attack, these DPL resources **must** be examined as to their ranking on the Host Dispatch Center DPL.

- If a lower ranked DPL resource was used during Initial Attack, the Host Dispatch Center **must** contact the incident and inquire about the estimated duration of the incident.
- When the incident need is projected to be of longer duration, the Incident Commander, in coordination with the Host Dispatch Center, **must** evaluate the feasibility of replacing lower ranked DPL resources with available higher ranked DPL resources.
- If the IC elects to keep a lower ranked resource the Host Dispatch Center must document the justification on the resource order.

3.6 EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT RENTAL AGREEMENTS

In the event that none of the local resources on the Host Dispatch Center's DPL are available, a USFS Contracting Officer can enter into an incident only EERA with a local equipment vendor.

- Incident Only/EERAs are **only** valid for the incident where the equipment was hired.
- Incident Only/EERA resources **may not** be reassigned to another incident.
- Documentation of Incident Only EERA hires must include that there were no DPL resources available on the Host Dispatch Center's DPL.

3.7 REASSIGNMENT and RELEASE of DPL/I-BPA RESOURCES

3.7a: Reassigned from Incident to Incident: Based on resource availability and need, a contractor may be reassigned from one incident to another.

- A Host Dispatch Center must document that all local DPL resources are exhausted prior to reassigning out of Zone DPL resources to another incident within the same zone. Reference: National Interagency Dispatch SOP for Contracted Resources; Item # 9. Reassignment of Contracted Resources.
- **3.7b: Released to Home Dispatch Center:** Contractors shall not seek out reassignments once released from an incident to the contractor's Host Dispatch Center.
 - After a resource is released to their Home Dispatch Center, all new resource orders must originate from the contractor's Host Dispatch Center. Reference: National Interagency Dispatch SOP for Contracted Resources; Item # 9. Reassignment of Contracted Resources: and, All I-BPAs D.6.9 Ordering Protocol for Resources.

3.8 NON-COMPLIANCE REPORTING

Noncompliance must be reported. Noncompliance includes failure to meet specific contract requirements, including but not limited to, Equipment Requirements, failure to meet the Date/Time needed, or failure to mobilize the specific VIN # resource listed on the I-BPA. DPL resources found to be in noncompliance with contract requirements **must** be documented and reported to SWCC, or the USFS R-3 Regional Office, within 24 – 48 hours. Contact: Rich Nieto (NM-R03); Fred Hernandez (NM-R03); or, Anne Weiskircher (AZ-ASF).

4. MANAGING DPL RESOURCES IN ROSS

4.1 TYPING INFORMATION

Throughout this guide, typing information is per the solicitations. Some resources in ROSS may not be identified by type as named in the I-BPA solicitation. When applicable, the type of resource required should be specified in Special Needs.

4.2 NAMING CONVENTIONS

Naming Conventions in ROSS are applicable for both Statused Resource Items and Fill with Agreement resources. Naming conventions are identified in the SWA Desk Guide for Dispatching Contracted Resources (page 9 of this document).

Where VIN or Unique ID is specified, the VIN must be used if the resource has a VIN. A Unique ID may be used when the resource does not have a VIN. The Unique ID could be the license plate number or serial number, but not a removable sign. If the VIN number has less than 17 characters add 0's before the VIN number to complete the 17 required characters in ROSS. If the agreement does not list the Manufacture Date/Year, use 1900.

4.3 ORGANIZATIONAL DATA ENTRY in ROSS

I-BPA resources Statused as Resource Items in ROSS must adhere to the following data entry standards:

Home Dispatch: Office responsible for hiring the resource

Example: Albuquerque Interagency Dispatch Center

Home Unit: Vendor – <u>Texas Fire Resources</u> **Owner:** Vendor – Texas Fire Resources

Provider: The Signatory Agency/Contracting Office to the Agreement

Example for Regional I-BPAs: NM-R03

4.4 I-BPA (Contract) DATA ENTRY in ROSS

All I-BPA agreement data will be entered into ROSS via the contract screen. This is completed as needed by the Coordination Center. All changes to the DPL are obtained from the Region 3 I-BPA Contracting Officer. (Anne Weiskircher).

- Sharing an I-BPA: One I-BPA with resources located at multiple Dispatch Centers. It is common for a vendor to have multiple pieces of equipment, on the same I-BPA, dispatched by two or more dispatch centers. In this scenario, the Coordination Center will give access to all dispatch centers that have resources on a DPL from that vendor's I-BPA.
- **Dual Agreements:** One Resource with more than one Agency contract agreement at one or more Dispatch Centers. In certain instances, a vendor may have a piece of equipment with more than one Agency (USFS I-BPA, and/or DOI Agreement/EERA, and/or State/EERA) agreement. The most common example would be a piece of equipment that has an I-BPA with the USFS and a separate State Agreement/EERA. In this scenario, the office who is responsible for the dispatching the resource via the USFS DPL will be the primary manager of the resource item in ROSS. The office with the non-FS agreement will create their agreement in ROSS via the contract screen and then attach the "non-local" resource to it. This will be indicated in the ROSS naming convention i.e. "AZPHC001/AZS". The resource item can then be dispatched by two different dispatch centers via their respective agreement.

4.5 SELF STATUS

If the Coordination Center requires it, the Contractor/Vendor is responsible for maintaining their current status by informing their host dispatch center of their availability, or if available, self status themselves in ROSS. When contracted resources are statused as "Unavailable", or "Returned from Assignment" the resources will not be eligible for dispatch under the Agreement. Reference: All I-BPAs – D.5 Availability.

- **Statused Resource Items** can be self-statused in ROSS.
- Fill with Agreement resources are **not** statused in ROSS. These resources do not have the option to self-status in ROSS.
- For those vendors who want to use self status in ROSS, this **must** be set up by the Coordination Center.

5. HOW to DISPATCH EQUIPMENT RESOURCES in ROSS

5.1 SPECIFIC USFS PROTOCOLS for ENGINES and WATER TENDERS

In compliance with the Forest Service Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit of Extended Attack fires, the Forest Service **must** use contracted resources under a competitive agreement process. Utilization of the Host Dispatch Center's DPL is **required** during Extended Attack. When an incident is managed under Unified Command, each agency will mobilize resources according to their respective procedures for their specific jurisdictional needs and/or as defined under a cost-share agreement. After an incident under USFS jurisdiction exceeds Initial Attack, the Host Dispatch Center will dispatch DPL Engines and Water Tenders according the following priorities:

- 1. All available Federal Agency resources
- 2. All available State owned AZ & NM State Forestry resources
- 3. All available USFS contracted I-BPA resources on the Host Dispatch Center DPL
- 4. Available Fire Department, Volunteer Fire Department, and State-contracted resources

5.2 DATE/TIME NEEDED CONSIDERATIONS

- Dispatch **must** evaluate the Date/Time needed on a resource order **before** sending the order to a neighborhood Dispatch Center or SWCC. Negotiate a realistic Date/Time needed based on the required travel distances with the IC, or Incident Management Team (IMT), **prior** to attempting to fill a request or relaying the order to other dispatch centers.
- If any contractors, within the Host Dispatch Area have declined a resource order based on the **original** Date/Time needed, and the Date/Time needed is renegotiated, it is imperative that the Host Dispatch Center reoffer the request to local DPL resources that declined the original order but may be able to make the "new" Date/Time needed.
- Date/Time needed on a resource order **must** be an accurate estimate. DPL resources that accept an order and do not meet the Date/Time needed on the resource order are technically in noncompliance with I-BPA contract requirements. Noncompliance with Date/Time needed should be documented and reported (Reference: 3.8 Noncompliance Reporting).

5.3 GENERAL GUIDELINES

- The Contractor shall restrict calls to the Host Dispatch Center.
- **Always** first consider the location of the incident and Date/Time needed. If the Date/Time needed has past, or is unrealistic, negotiate a revised Date/Time needed with the IC or IMT.
- Always begin searching for equipment resources with the highest ranked resource on the Host Dispatch Center DPL. DPL resources are ranked by individual equipment resource, not by vendor. If the highest priority vendor resource is unavailable, or cannot meet the needed Date/Time, contact the next highest ranked resource on the DPL.
- Do not use "Fill with Agreement" for resources that are Statused Resource Items in ROSS.
- It is **imperative** that all dispatch centers follow standard Naming Conventions when documenting fill information for Fill with Agreement resources in ROSS.
- When Fill with Agreement resources are not available from the Host Dispatch Center DPL, consider Incident Only EERA's due to transportation costs and variations in State DOT regulations and inspections.
- Only make direct contact with vendors managed by your Dispatch Center. **Do not make direct contact with vendors managed by other Dispatch Centers.**
- DPL resources **must** comply with **all** NWCG work/rest guidelines.
- ROSS Tip: Always check for Reminders (ROSS New Request Screen). Document in Special Needs, when applicable.
- ROSS Tip: Check Available Features (ROSS New Request Screen). Do not use the Available Features function; instead, document any requested feature items in Special Needs.
- ROSS Tip: When a Host Dispatch Center initiates a search for DPL resources, the Availability information in ROSS may or may not be 100% accurate. Search for Resources in ROSS to verify actual status of local DPL resources. The resource may show, "Return from Assignment" The dispatcher may want to call the vendor to check their status. Work/Rest guidelines apply. This additional step in searching for the actual status of DPL resources mitigates potential vendor issues and conflict. Document the search result, and the actions taken on the resource order.
- It is imperative that Equipment dispatchers document all information, conversations, decisions, and actions on the resource order. This includes, but is not limited to, mileage comparisons in choosing IA closest resources and the IC's rationale for retaining Mutual Aid resources on an incident which exceeds Initial Attack and becomes an Extended Attack incident in lieu of ordering DPL resources as replacement resources.



Southwest Area Desk Guide for Dispatching Contracted Resources

A: STATUSED RESOURCE ITEMS & FILL WITH AGREEMENT RESOURCE ITEMS

STATUSED RESOURCE ITEMS

ROSS Provider	Equipment Resource
NM-R03	Dozers
NM-R03	Engines
NM-R03	Gray Water Trucks
NM-R03	Laundry, Mobile
NM-R03	Potable Water Trucks
NM-R03	Fuel Tenders
NM-R03	Trailer, Communications
ID-FCF	Trailer, GIS
NM-R03	Trailer, Helicopter Operations Support
NM-R03	Clerical Support Units
ID-FCF	Transportation, Bus, Crew Carriers
NM-R03	Tenders, Water (Support)
NM-R03	Tenders, Water (Tactical)
NM-R03	Excavators
NM-R03	Feller Bunchers
NM-R03	Masticators
NM-R03	Road Graders
NM-R03	Skidders
NM-R03	Transportation, Lowboys

FILL WITH AGREEMENT RESOURCE ITEMS

ROSS Provider	<u>Equipment Resource</u>
NM-R03	Porta Potties
NM-R03	Handwashing Units (Single)
NM-R03	Handwashing Stations (Trailer Mounted)
NM-R03	Tents/Canopy/Yurts
ID-FCF	Trucks/Trailer Refrigeration
NM-R03	Trucks, Service (Mechanic)

B: ORDERING STATUSED RESOURCE ITEMS in ROSS

B-1 DOZERS

How to Order in ROSS: Check the (3) Reminders and (8) Available Features. If any Available Features are needed, document in Special Needs. Do not use "Available Features".

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Dozer**

CATALOG ITEM: Dozer, T1; T2; T3; Type Any

How to Fill: Dozers are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: DOZER - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

DOZER – T1 – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3
Minimum Horsepower	200 – 320 (Heavy)	100 – 100 (Medium)	50 – 99 (Light)

Reference: I-BPA for Heavy Equipment – D.2.1.1 Equipment Typing Dozers

B-2 ENGINES

How to Order in ROSS: Check the (1) Reminders and (14) Available Features. If any Available Features are needed, document in Special Needs. Do not use "Available Features".

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Engine**

CATALOG ITEM: Engine, T1; T1 or T2; T2; T3; T3, 4, 5, or 6; T4; T5; T6; T7; Type Any

How to Fill: Engines are a **Statused Resource Item**

Fill Example: ENGINE - T6 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

ENGINE – T6 – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING # - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1*	2*	3	4	5	6
Pump min flow	1000+	250+	150	50	50	30
@ PSI	150	150	250	100	100	100
Tank capacity (gal)	400+	400+	500+	750+	400-750	150-400
Min Personnel	4	3	3	2	2	2

Reference: I-BPA Water Handling Equipment – D.2.1.2.1 Minimum Standards Wildland Engines (T3-T6) Reference: Fireline Handbook, Appendix A-40 *The Southwest Area has no I-BPAs for T1 or T2 Engines

B-3 GRAY WATER TRUCKS

How to Order in ROSS: Specify what the GWT will be used for in **Special Needs**.

CATALOG: Equipment

CATEGORY: Gray Water Truck

CATALOG ITEM: Gray Water Truck – T1; T2; T3; T4; Type Any

How to Fill: Gray Water Trucks are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: GRAY WATER TRUCK - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

GRAY WATER TRUCK – T1 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5#s of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3	4
Gallons	4,000+	2,500 – 3,999	1,000 - 2,499	400 - 999

Reference: I-BPA for Potable & Gray Water Trucks/Handwashing Stations (Trailer Mounted) – D.2.1.1 Equipment Typing

B-4 LAUNDRY, MOBILE

How to Order in ROSS: This equipment is not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**

CATALOG ITEM: Laundry, Mobile

How to Fill: Laundry, Mobile Units are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: MOBILE LAUNDRY - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

MOBILE LAUNDRY – T1 – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Reminder:

• The vendor provides two, 2000 gallon storage tanks for gray water and potable water

• The government provides disposal of gray water and a supply of potable water.

Туре	1	2
Minimum Production Canability	2,500	1,500
Minimum Production Capability	pounds/day	pounds/day
Net-Bagged Laundry: Ability to clean laundry from multiple	YES	NO
persons in a single load	163	NO
Must Include: All necessary fuel and power; continuous hot		
water supply (min. 140 F); min. 2,000 gallons storage each of	YES	YES
grey water and potable water; w/operator; w/detergent		

Reference: I-BPA for Mobile Laundry Units – D.2 Equipment Requirements

B-5 POTABLE WATER TRUCKS

How to Order in ROSS: Specify in **Special Needs** how PWT will be used.

CATALOG: Equipment

CATEGORY: Potable Water Truck

CATALOG ITEM: Potable Water Truck T1; T2; T3; T4; Type Any

How to Fill: Potable Water Trucks are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: POTABLE WATER TRUCK - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

POTABLE WATER TRUCK – T1 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3	4
Gallons	4,000+	2,500 – 3,999	1,000 - 2,499	400 – 999

Reference: I-BPA for Potable & Gray Water Trucks/Handwashing Stations (Trailer Mounted) – D.2.1.1 Equipment Typing

B-6 FUEL TENDER

How to Order in ROSS: Specify "type of fuel" requested in Special Needs.

CATALOG: Equipment
CATEGORY: Miscellaneous

CATALOG ITEM: Fuel Tender T1; T2; T3 or Type Any

How to Fill: Fuel Tenders are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: FUEL TENDER - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

FUEL TENDER - T1 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3
Gallons	3,501+	2,501 – 3,500	$500 - 2{,}500$

Reference: I-BPA for Fuel Tenders – D.2.1.1 Equipment Typing

B-7 TRAILER, COMMUNICATIONS

How to Order in ROSS: Use Special Needs if specialized equipment needed.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Trailer**

CATALOG ITEM: Trailer – Communications

How to Fill: Communications Trailers are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: TRAILER - COMMUNICATIONS - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

TRAILER – COMMUNICATIONS – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Communication Trailers are not Typed, but at a minimum should include:

- Pull behind cargo/camper style trailer without operator on site after setup
- Work space with three work stations, including white boards, cork boards and radio log forms
- Radio and telephone equipment ready to be programmed
- Air conditioning, with at least two windows

B-8 TRAILER, GIS

How to Order in ROSS: This equipment is not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog, you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Trailer**

CATALOG ITEM: Trailer - GIS

How to Fill: GIS Trailers are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: TRAILER – GIS – AZFDC001 – COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

TRAILER – GIS - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Remember: GIS Trailers are not dispatched with a GIS Specialist unless requested. If requested, GIS Specialists (GISS) are ordered as one of the three following levels:

GISS Level 1 - 1 year incident mapping experience (trainee)

GISS Level 2 – 2 year incident mapping experience, must have completed Position Taskbook

GISS Level 3 – 3+ years of incident mapping experience, must have completed Position Taskbook

Type	1	2
Computer Workstations w/computers	4	2
Workspace and tables/chairs	2 additional workspaces	An additional 2 workspaces
workspace and tables/chairs	(computers not required)	(computers not required)

Reference: I-BPA – D.2 Equipment Requirements

B-9 TRAILER, HELICOPTER OPERATIONS SUPPORT

How to Order in ROSS: Use Special Needs if specialized equipment needed.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Trailer**

CATALOG ITEM: Trailer – Helicopter Operations Support

How to Fill: Helicopter Operations Support Trailers are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: TRAILER - HOS - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

TRAILER – HOS – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Helicopter Operations Support Trailers are not Typed, but at a minimum should include:

- Pull behind trailer (26' minimum) with Technician
- Work space with 2 separate rooms including a radio room
- Air conditioning, fuel, electricity, internal and external lighting
- Printer, copier, fax, and scanner

B-10 CLERICAL SUPPORT UNIT

How to Order in ROSS: Use Special Needs if specialized equipment needed.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**

CATALOG ITEM: Clerical Support Unit

How to Fill: Clerical Support Units are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: CLERICAL SUPPORT UNIT – AZFDC001 – COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

CLERICAL SUPPORT UNIT – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Clerical Support Units are not Typed, but at a minimum should include:

- Operator(s) with 24-hour office service
- Fax Machine, 4-Line Telephone, 2 Computer workstations with DVD/CD Writer, Scanner, Laminator, basic office supplies, 3 Photocopiers, Color Printer, 36-Format Plotter
- Capability to produce 400 copies of 40 pages twice per day in three hours or less
- Basic word processing capability with Microsoft Office
- Self-contained climate controlled unit with 7 days supplies
- Optional equipment includes internet capability via satellite internet access.

B-11 TRANSPORTATION, BUS, CREW CARRIER

How to Order in ROSS: Check (2) Reminders and (1) Available Features. If any Available Features are required for the resource, document in **Special Needs. Do not use "Available Features".**

Document in Special Needs if the bus will remain with the Crew or it is to be released to the vendor after delivering the Crew to their assignment. Make sure to explain "What is needed" to the Vendor and Document on the resource order. Also, will additional drivers be needed?

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Transportation**

CATALOG ITEM: Transportation, Bus, Crew Carrier

How to Fill: Crew Carriers are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: BUS - CREW CARRIER - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

BUS – CREW CARRIER – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Crew Carriers are not Typed. Crew Carriers refer to school type buses for transporting 20-person fire crews on gravel or mountain roads.

Reminder: Typically, the Dispatch Center that fills a crew request will order the crew carrier as a support request. <u>In these cases, it is standard procedure to relinquish control (release/reassignment capability)</u> of the bus to the ordering Dispatch Center.

B-12 TENDER, WATER (Support)

How to Order in ROSS: Check the "(11) Available Features". If any of the Available Features are required for the resource, document in **Special Needs**. **Do not use "Available Features".**

CATALOG: Equipment

CATEGORY: Tender, Water (Support)

CATALOG ITEM: Tender, Water (Support) T1; T2; T3; Type Any

How to Fill: Support Water Tenders are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: TENDER, WATER - SUPPORT - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

TENDER, WATER – SUPPORT – T1 – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3
Tank capacity (gal)	4000	2500-3999	1000-2499

I-BPA Water Handling Equipment – D.2.1.2.2 Water Tenders

B-13 TENDER, WATER (Tactical)

How to Order in ROSS: Check the "(10) Available Features. If any of these features are required,

document in Special Needs. "Do not use "Available Features".

CATALOG: Equipment

CATEGORY: Tender, Water (Tactical)

CATALOG ITEM: Tender, Water (Tactical) T1; T2; Type Any

How to Fill: Tender, Water (Tactical) are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: TENDER, WATER - TACTICAL - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

TENDER, WATER – TACTICAL – T1 – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2
Tank capacity (gal)	2000	1000-1999
Personnel	Minimum 2 personnel Minimum 1 FFT1 required	

I-BPA Water Handling Equipment – D.2.1.2.2 Water Tenders

B-14 EXCAVATORS

How to Order in ROSS: Specify Type, or other requirements in Special Needs. Check (4) Reminders and (2) Available Features. If any of these features or reminders are requested, document in Special Needs. Do not use "Available Features".

NOTE: There is a problem with ROSS, it lists types 2, 3, Type Any, but the GACC has T1, 2, 3, and 4. To work around this when placing orders order as (Type Any), describe in Special Needs what type you are looking for and then fill with that size off of the DPL SWCC has been notified.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**

CATALOG ITEM: Excavator – T2; T3; Type Any

How to Fill: Excavators are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: EXCAVATOR - T2 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

EXCAVATOR – T2 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3	4
Minimum Horsepower	156+	111 – 155	81 - 110	60 - 80

I-BPA for Heavy Equipment – D.2.1.1 Equipment Typing

B-15 FELLER BUNCHERS

How to Order in ROSS: Document any specific equipment requirements in Special Needs.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**

CATALOG ITEM: Feller Buncher - T1; T2; Type Any

How to Fill: Feller Bunchers are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: FELLER BUNCHER - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

FELLER BUNCHER - T1- DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2
Horsepower	226+	160 - 225

I-BPA for Heavy Equipment – D.2 Equipment Requirements

B-16 MASTICATORS

How to Order in ROSS: This equipment is not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog, you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below

CATALOG: Equipment
CATEGORY: Miscellaneous
CATALOG ITEM: Masticator

How to Fill: Masticators are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: MASTICATOR -T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

MASTICATOR – BOOM (or TRACK) –T2 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type: Boom Mounted	1	2	3	4
Horsepower	156+	111 – 155	81 - 110	60 - 50
Type: Track Mounted	1	2	3	4
Horsepower	200 - 350	100 – 199	50 – 99	N/A

Reference: I-BPA for Miscellaneous Heavy Equipment – D.2.1.1 Minimum Equipment Requirements

B-17 ROAD GRADERS

How to Order in ROSS: This equipment is not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog, you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below. Check (1) Available Features. If any of these features are requested, document in **Special Needs**. **Do not use "Available Features".**

CATALOG: Equipment
CATEGORY: Miscellaneous
CATALOG ITEM: Road Grader

How to Fill: Road Graders are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: ROAD GRADER -T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

ROAD GRADER – T1 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2
Horsepower	165+	120 – 164; 12 ft. mold board minimum

Reference I-BPA for Miscellaneous Heavy Equipment D.2.1 Minimum Equipment Requirements - Road Graders

B-18 SKIDDERS

How to Order in ROSS: Specify grapple configuration and winch line requirements in Special Needs.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**

CATALOG ITEM: Skidder T1; T2; T3; T4; T5; Type Any

How to Fill: Skidders are a Statused Resource Item

Fill Example: SKIDDER - T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

SKIDDER - T1 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	3	4	5
Horsepower	176>	100 - 175	60 – 99	<60

Reference I-BPA for Miscellaneous Heavy Equipment D.2.1 Minimum Equipment Requirements - Skidders

B-19 TRANSPORTATION, LOWBOYS

When Heavy Equipment (HE) is hired off a DPL (Dozers, Excavators, Feller Bunchers, Masticators, Road Graders, and Skidders), the HE vendor is responsible for obtaining their own transport as part of the I-BPA contract.

- For Initial Attack/Severity orders, the transport is required to stay with the HE.
- The vender supplied "Transport", used to mobilize the HE resource may **only** be used for the sole purpose of transporting the HE that was originally ordered.
- If the "Transport" is **released** by the IC/IMT after unloading the HE the contractor/vender has two choices
 - o If the transport is **released**, the vendor can opt to either leave the transport at the incident (providing there is room and the IC agrees) or return the transport to the point of hire. Under this scenario, the vendor is allowed to charge the transport daily rate from the incident back to the point of hire. When the HE is released from the incident the contractor will be paid for the round trip to retrieve the HE from the incident.
 - When the transport is **retained** at the incident by the IC/IMT for the sole purpose of transporting the HE that was originally ordered; the minimum daily guarantee will be paid until the transport/HE is released. Reference: Heavy Equipment I-BPA; D.2.2 Transportation.

The following information only applies when a transport is needed for other than DPL/HE transport. If a Lowboy/Transport is requested to move miscellaneous items at an incident (Example: Dumpsters, Slurry Mix, Long-haul transport for water tenders, engines) the Host Dispatch Center **must** order a transport from the DPL. In this case, the transport will be issued an E#.

How to Order in ROSS: This equipment is not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog, you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below and what the incident is requesting to be transported in **Special Needs**. Also check (1) reminder, and (3) Available Features **Do not use "Available Features".**

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Transportation**

CATALOG ITEM: Transportation, Lowboy

How to Fill: Transports/Lowboys are a **Statused Resource Item**.

Fill Example: LOWBOY - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

LOWBOY - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3
Capacity	70,000 pounds +	35,001 – 69,999 pounds	Up to 35,000 pounds

Reference I-BPA for Miscellaneous Heavy Equipment – D.2.1.1 Equipment Typing

C: ORDERING "FILL WITH AGREEMENT" RESOURCES in ROSS

C-1 PORTA POTTIES

How to Order in ROSS: Specify the number needed and whether or not, Standard or Handicap Units are required in **Special Needs**. Typically, most incidents will order several "Porta Potties and then split the order to go to different locations. Dispatchers will need to track this splitting of the original order in the "Documentation" section. If additional toilets are ordered there are two options available to track them.

- 1. If additional toilets are ordered from the same DPL contractor a new resource order may be created along with the total needed on the second order and where they are being sent to. This is repeated for each new order until the original contractor runs out of toilets or cannot meet the date/time needed. This will result in multiple resource orders for the same item.
- 2. The second option is to create (**one**) resource order with the total toilets ordered and where they went described in the "Documentation" section . Each additional order for new toilets are added to a (Running Total) in the Documentation section "**on the original order**". As toilets are released from the various locations, the contractor will be notified where to pick them up and the (Running Total) is reduced in the documentation section until all of the toilets have been released. ". If the contractor runs out of toilets or cannot meet the Date/Time needed, dispatchers will need to call the next contractor on the DPL and see if they can supply the needed items. A new resource order will be required and a new (Running Total) for the new contractor will be started.

CATALOG: Supply

CATEGORY: Service, Sanitation

CATALOG ITEM: Service – Porta Potties

How to Fill: Porta Potties are **not a Statused Resource Item**. They **must** be filled with **Fill with Agreement** in ROSS.

Fill Example: TOILET - PORTABLE - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Conventions

TOILET - PORTABLE - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Note: The Porta Potties I-BPA includes contract language for procuring Portable Handwashing Units, which should not to be confused with Trailer Mounted Handwashing Stations. Refer to "C-2 Handwashing Units (Single)" for the explanation of what the difference is.

C-2 HANDWASHING UNITS (SINGLE)

How to Order <u>HANDWASHING UNITS</u> (SINGLE) in ROSS: Specify the number of the units requested in **Special Needs**, using a 5 to 1 ratio, one unit for every 5 portable toilets ordered

Orders for Handwashing Units (Single) should be a Support Request on the Porta Potties Request

CATALOG: Supply

CATEGORY: Service, Sanitation

CATALOG ITEM: Service – Handwashing Unit (Single)

How to Fill: Service - Handwashing Units (Single) are not a Statused Resource Item. They must be filled with Fill with Agreement in ROSS.

Fill Example: HANDWASHING UNITS (SINGLE) - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

HANDWASHING UNIT – PORTABLE - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – UNIQUE ID, LTR OR NUMBER

Note: Portable Handwashing Units shall have at minimum: Two basins with one foot operated pump per spigot; a large basin with two spigots is acceptable as long as there is one foot operated pump per spigot. There are no written directions on the ratio of Portable Handwashing Units to the number of Portable Toilets, until we have definitive direction, use a 5 to 1 ratio, one handwashing unit per 5 porta potties.

C-3 HANDWASHING STATIONS (TRAILER MOUNTED)

How to Order <u>HANDWASHING STATIONS (TRAILER MOUNTED)</u> in ROSS: Specify number of sinks and water holding capacity in **Special Needs**. Also check (1) reminder.

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**

CATALOG ITEM: Handwashing Stations (Trailer Mounted)

How to Fill: Handwashing Stations (Trailer Mounted) are not a Statused Resource Item. They must be filled with Fill with Agreement in ROSS.

Fill Example: HANDWASHING STATIONS (TRAILER MOUNTED) – AZFDC001 – COMPANY NAME – 12345

Naming Convention

HANDWASHING STATION – TRAILER - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Important Note - A vendor cannot send 2 "smaller" trailer mounted stations on a single resource order based on the number of sinks needed. If the number one ranked vendor cannot meet the "Special Needs" of the resource order then the dispatcher needs to go to the next vendor on the DPL.

Reminder: Key minimum requirements for Trailer Mounted Stations include: Self-contained; 250-gallon storage of potable water; 500-gallon storage of gray water; mirrors for each sink; each sink must have hot/cold water; and adequate lighting. Reference I-BPA for Potable & Gray Water Trucks/Handwashing Stations (Trailer Mounted) – D.2.1.2.3 Trailer Mounted Handwashing Stations.

C-4 TENTS

How to Order in ROSS: Tents are not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog, you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below. Also specify the size of tent, if side walls are required and/or swamp coolers, heaters, floors or ramps are reqested.

CATALOG: **Equipment**CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**CATALOG ITEM: **Tent**

How to Fill: Tents are **not a Statused Resource Item**. They must be filled with **Fill with Agreement** in ROSS.

Fill Example: TENT – AZFDC001 – COMPANY NAME – 12345

Naming Convention

TENT - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME - UNIQUE ID

Reminder: Type 1 and Type 2 tents come with canopy only. If side-walls are needed, document in Special Needs. Type 3 and Type 4 tents are Yurt Types that come with the canopy and side-walls. Reference I-BPA for Tents – D.2.1.1 Minimum Requirements – All Canopy Type

Type	1	2	3	4
Size	40' x 40' 40' x 60' 40' x 80'	20' x 40' 20' x 60'	501 to 700 Square Feet	200 to 500 Square Feet
Canopy	Yes	Yes	Yes+Side Walls	Yes+Side Walls

C-5 TRUCK/TRAILER, REFRIGERATION

How to Order in ROSS: Refrigeration Trucks and Trailers are not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog, you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below, and any unique performance requirements (trailer length, vehicle clearance, road conditions).

CATALOG: **Equipment** CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**

CATALOG ITEM: Truck/Trailer, Refrigeration

How to Fill: Refrigerated Trailers are not a Statused Resource Item. They must be filled with Fill with Agreement in ROSS.

Fill Example: TRUCK/TRAILER, REFRIGERATION – T1 – AZFDC001 – COMPANY NAME – 12345

Naming Convention

TRUCK/TRAILER REFRIGERATION – T1 – DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Type	1	2	3
Length	43'+	29' – 43'	24' – 28'

Reference I-BPA for National Refrigeration Trailers – D.2 Equipment Requirements

C-6 TRUCK, SERVICE (Mechanic)

How to Order in ROSS: Service trucks are not "typed" separately in the ROSS catalog, you need to specify the "type" in **Special Needs** based on the table below.

CATALOG: **Equipment**CATEGORY: **Miscellaneous**CATALOG ITEM: **Truck, Service**

How to Fill: Service Trucks are not a Statused Resource Item. They must be filled with Fill with Agreement in ROSS.

Fill Example: TRUCK, SERVICE -T1 - AZFDC001 - COMPANY NAME - 12345

Naming Convention

SERVICE TRUCK – T1 - DISP ID & 3 DIGIT DPL RANKING# - VENDOR NAME – LAST 5 NUMBERS of VIN# (OR UNIQUE ID)

Reminder:

- When ordering a Service Truck, consider the **Type of Mechanic** required.
- ➤ The DPL is sorted by size of vehicles the mechanic will be working on. For long-duration assignments the DPL does not provide a replacement mechanic from the same vendor. To avoid this, a long-term incident IC should either:
 - Option 1 Provide appropriate days off, on the incident for the mechanic, that meet work/rest guidelines. This option would allow the contractor to provide their own relief mechanic.

- ➤ If the Service Truck contractor does not have an "in-house" relief then option 2 may apply.
 - Option 2 Order a replacement Service Truck from the DPL and release the original Service truck.

Type	1	2
Capabilities	Heavy construction and logging equipment (dozer, grader, excavator); Automotive, light and heavy truck (Class 1-8); and, Inspection and diagnostic Services	Automotive, light and heavy truck (Class 1-8); and, Inspection and diagnostic services
Mechanic Type	Minimum 3-years experience at journeyman level on field repairs of heavy construction or logging equipment	Minimum 3-years experience at the journeyman level on all classes of light and medium trucks. DOT air brake qualifications (FMVCSA 49 CRF 396.25)

Reference I-BPA for Mechanic with Service Truck – C.2.1 Equipment Requirements